

polyester unit [derived] obtained [from the polymerization of] by polymerizing monomers selected from the group consisting of lactic acid, lactide, glycolic acid, glycolide, β -propiolactone, ϵ -caprolactone, δ -glutarolactone, δ -valerolactone, β -butyrolactone, pivalolactone, α,α -diethylpropiolactone, ethylene carbonate, trimethylene carbonate, γ -butyrolactone, p-dioxanone, 1,4-dioxepan-2-one, 3-methyl-1,4-dioxane-2,5-dione, 3,3,-dimethyl-1-4-dioxane-2,5-dione, cyclic esters of α -hydroxybutyric acid, α -hydroxyvaleric acid, α -hydroxyisovaleric acid, α -hydroxycaproic acid, α -hydroxy- α -ethylbutyric acid, α -hydroxyisocaproic acid, α -hydroxy- α -methyl valeric acid, α -hydroxyheptanoic acid, α -hydroxystearic acid, α -hydroxylignoceric acid, salicylic acid and mixtures, thereof and B is [derived from] obtained by reacting a hydroxyl, amine or carboxylic terminated compound end-capped with a non-reactive group, said hydroxyl, amine or carboxyl terminated compound initiating the polymerization of said monomers to form said polyester unit, said AB diblock being further [reacted with one or more coupling agents or crosslinking agents] coupled or crosslinked to produce di-diblocks, multi-blocks, star-like polymers and comb-like polymers.

REMARKS

After amendment, claims 1-3 and 6-22 are pending in the present application, claims 4-5 and 23-88 having been cancelled. Please enter this preliminary amendment before calculating the filing fee for this application and issuing a first action.

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